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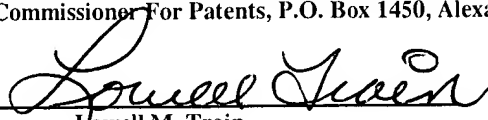
Applicant: Fisher et al

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Examiner: Tran, Len

Title: **Fast Light-Off Catalytic Reformer**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 23, 2004

MS: Non Fee-Amendment
Commissioner For Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is Applicants' response to the Office Action mailed January 23, 2004 for the above-identified application.

Applicants note that the Office Action crossed in the mail with an Information Disclosure Statement submitted by Applicants on January 27, 2004 under 37 CFR 1.97(b)(3). As it now turns out that the Information Disclosure Statement was in fact submitted after the mailing of the first Office Action but before receipt thereof by Applicants, Applicants respectfully request that the Information Disclosure Statement be considered under 37 CFR 1.97(c)(2), and authorize the \$180.00 fee under 37 CFR 1.17(p) to be charged to deposit account 50-0831.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: